Core Project areas schemes in malaria-prone districts of Gujarat

2547. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are implementing Core Project Areas Scheme in some malaria-prone districts of Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details thereof, districts-wise; and

(c) the special measures being taken by Government to eradicate malaria in these areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) and (b) An enhanced Malaria Control Project with World Bank asistance in 100 malaria endemic districts of Seven peninsular States including 8 (Eight) districts and 5 (Five) highly malarious towns/cities of Gujarat has been successfully negotiated with the World Bank. The identified districts are:

(1) Panchmahal (2) Sabarkantha (3) Banaskantha (4) Dangs (5) Valsad (6) Surat (7) Bharuch (8) Baroda.

The towns included in the Projects are:—

(1) Ahmedabad (2) Bharuch (3) Dohad (4) Godhara and (5) Vadodara.

(c) Apart from supporting certain ongoing strategies in the identified areas, the proposed project would facilitate the use of the newer bio-friendly interventions such as Synthetic Pyrethroids. Medicated Mosquito Nets Biolarvicdes, Larviverous Fishes, Dipstick Blood Testing Techniques, Artemisinin Compound, Manpower Development, Enhanced Information, Education and Communication activities and Improved Management Information System.

Misappropriation of Funds in opening of New CGHS Units

2548. SHRI MOHINDAR SINGH KALYAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there have been large scale irregularities and misappropriation of funds in opening of CGHS Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic units in Delhi for the last twelve years;

(b) if so, whether Government are considering to check the irregularities in this regard;

(c) the amount released for open new CGHS units of Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic units in Delhi during the Ninth Five Year Plan; and

(d) the steps proposed to be take to prevent irregularities and misappropriation of funds in opening o new CGHS units of Ayurvadic and Homoeopathic systems in Delhi and outsides Delhi, during the Ninth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) to (d) As per information available, no specific instances of large-scale irregularities and misappropriation of funds in opening of ISM &H units under CGHS, Delhi have come to light. The Ninth Five Year Plan Proposals are under examination by Government.

Upgradation of professional standard of Homopeoathic Pharmacist

2549. SHRI MOHINDAR SINGH KALYAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by Government to upgrade the professional standard of homoeopathic pharmacists working in dispansaries, hospitals and units in the country, like their counterparts in other systems of medicines